

# Data Structures, Tree Algorithms and Renewal Theorems

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# 1. Algorithms & Data Structures

# Digital Search Trees (Tries)

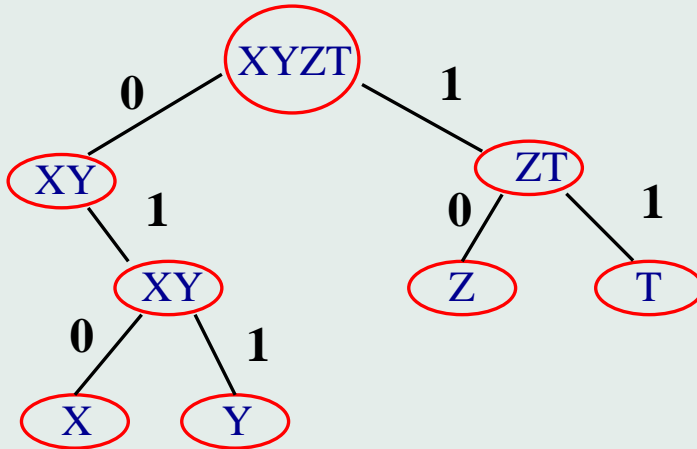
## Digital Search Trees: Problem

- $N$  elements  $x_1, \dots, x_N \in \mathcal{S}$ ;
- Pb: if  $y \in \mathcal{S}$ , determine if  $y \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ ;
- Minimal nb of operations.

# Digital Search Trees: Hash Functions

- $h : \mathcal{S} \longrightarrow [0, 1]$ ;
- For  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $h(x) = 0.X_1^x X_2^x \dots X_n^x \dots$ ,
  - $X_k^x \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $k \geq 1$ ,
  - **Assumption 1:**  $(X_n^x, n \geq 1)$  independent,  
$$\mathbb{P}(X_n^x = 0) = \mathbb{P}(X_n^x = 1) = 1/2.$$
  - **Assumption 2:**  
 $((X_n^x, n \geq 1), x \in \mathcal{S})$  independent,

## A digital search tree



$h(X)=0.0101..$   $h(Y)=0.0111..$

$h(Z)=0.101..$   $h(T)=0.1100..$

# Communication Networks



## The Context

- Network with  $N$  transmitters (stations)  
One common communication channel.
- Two attempts of transmission  
on the channel at the same time  
⇒ failure.
- A Distributed System:  
Centralized Control ⇒ Not possible.

## Information of a station

A station can probe the channel to detect:

**0** —no activity

No attempt on the channel.

**1** —success

only one station has transmitted.

**2** —failure

$\geq 2$  stations have tried to transmit.

The channel delivers a ternary information

## Transmission Policy

- Based **only** on the information delivered by the channel
- A station with a message:  
**Decides** to transmit or not.
- All the stations use the **same** policy.

## Simplified Model

- Discrete Time.
- Beginning of Time Unit:  
each station decide to transmit or not.
- Duration of a message transmission  
= One time unit.

## Some history

- Aloha (1968)  
Abramson (Hawaii)
- Ethernet (1973)  
Metcalfe and Boggs (Harvard)
- Cambridge Ring (1974)  
Cambridge University
- Tree Algorithms (1979)  
Capetanakis (MIT)  
Tsybakov and Mikhailov (Acad. Sc. Moscow).

## The tree algorithm

To each station  $S \rightarrow$  variable “counter”  $C_S$ .

Initially  $C_S = 0$ .

— If  $C_S = 0$ : try to transmit.

1. **Success**: end.

2. **Collision**: flip a coin:

if head,  $C_S = 0$ , else,  $C_S = 1$ .

## The tree algorithm (II)

— If  $C_S > 0$ , no attempt.

On the channel:

1. Success or no transmission,

$$C_S \rightarrow C_S - 1.$$

2. Collision  $C_S \rightarrow C_S + 1.$

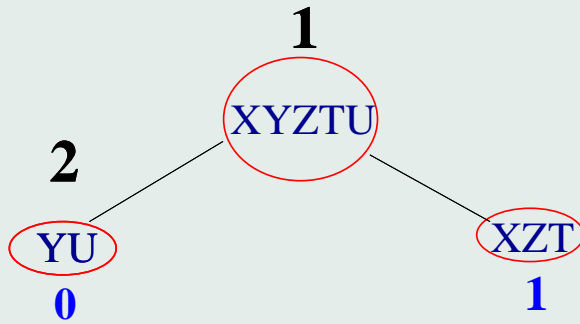
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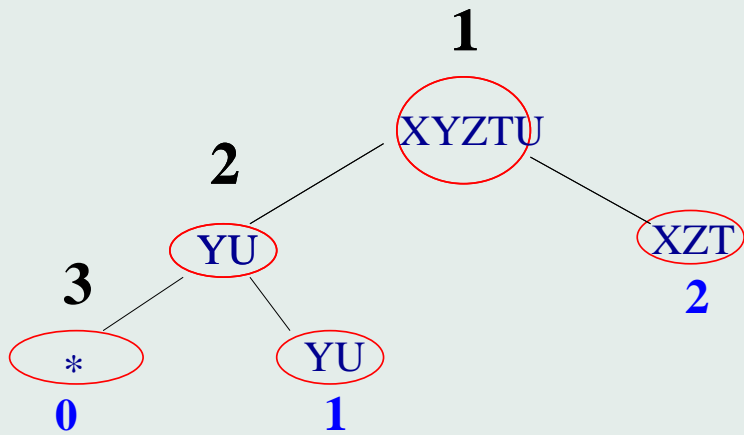
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C	No	No	∅	No	Ok	Ok	No
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1		XZT	YU	XZT	U	XZT	
2			XZT		XZT		

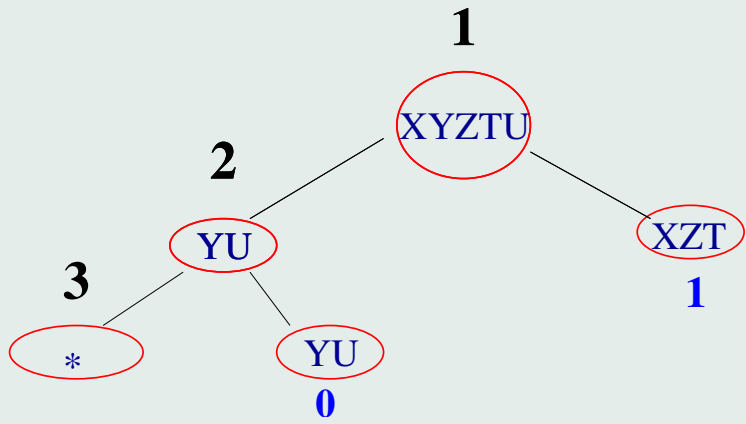
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1	ZT		T	

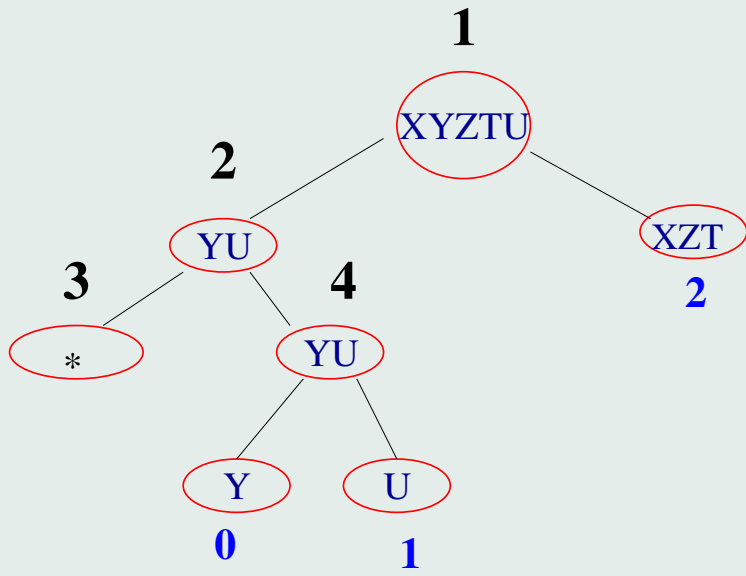


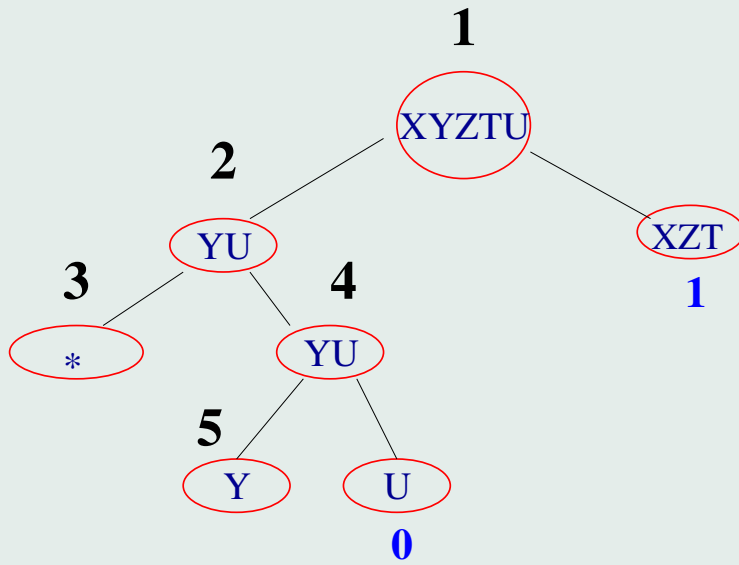


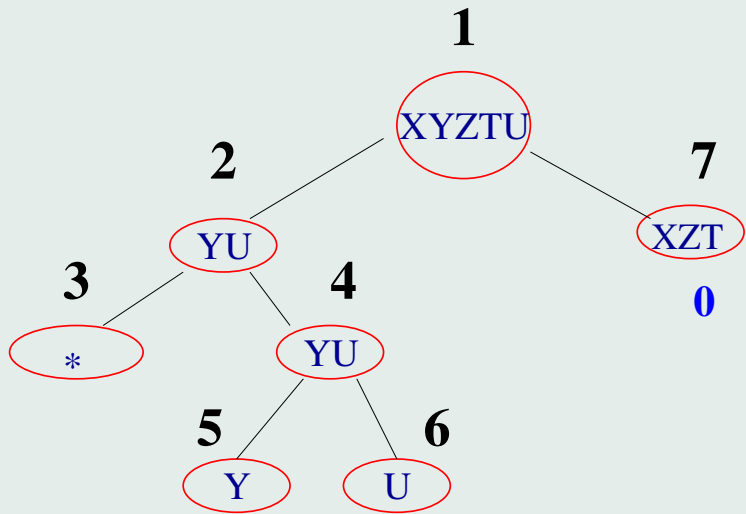


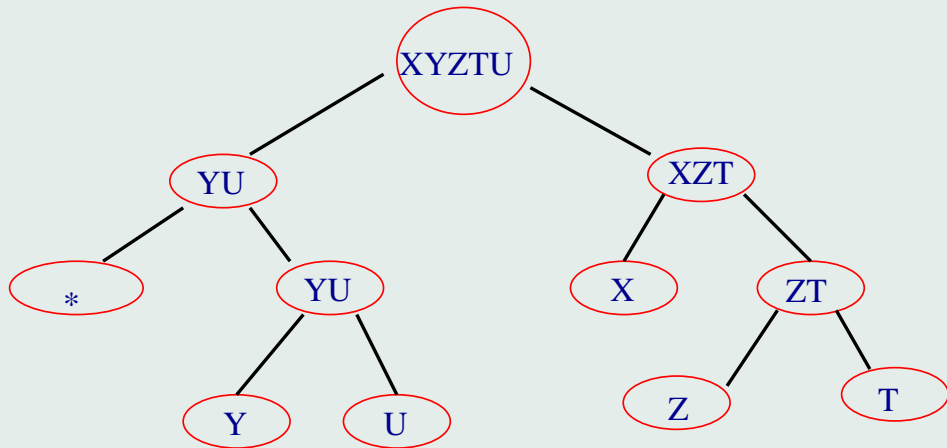












**X = 0.10.., Y = 0.010.., Z = 0.1110..,**  
**T = 0.1111, U = 0.011..**



# Tree Algorithm

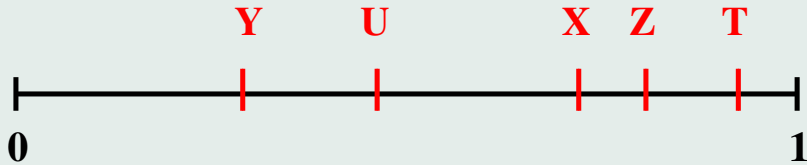
A **Probabilistic** Algorithm

Random numbers are used,  
Randomness breaks ties.

**Examples of probabilistic Algorithm:**

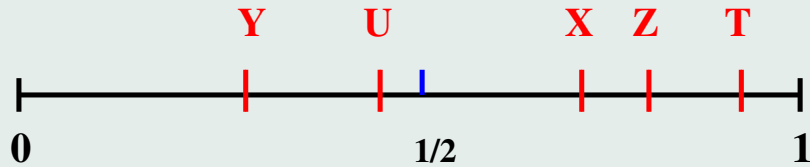
- Routing in Networks.
- Image Analysis.
- Test For Cryptography.
- ...

## An Alternative point of View



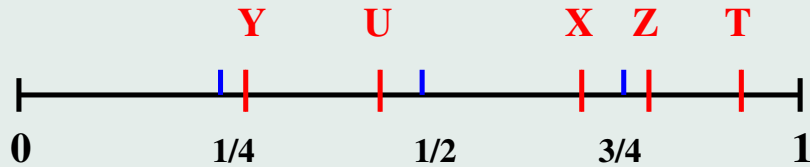
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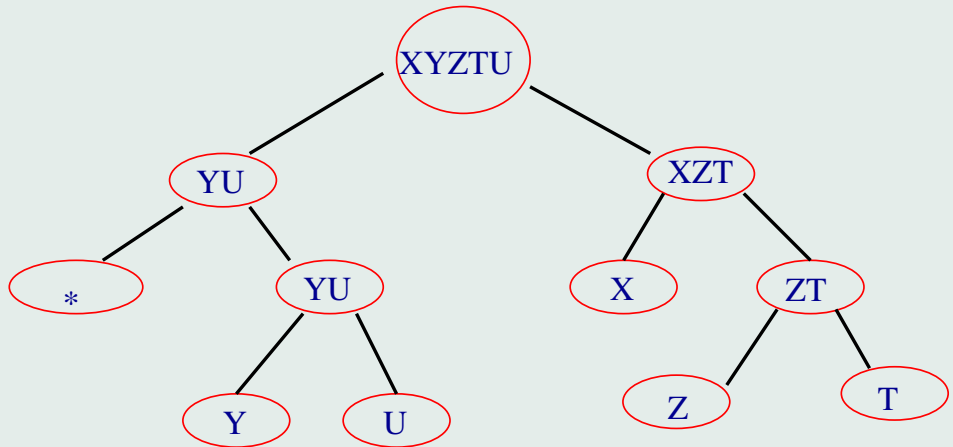
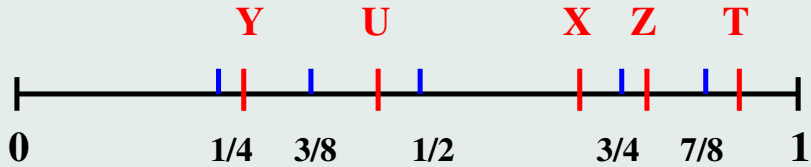
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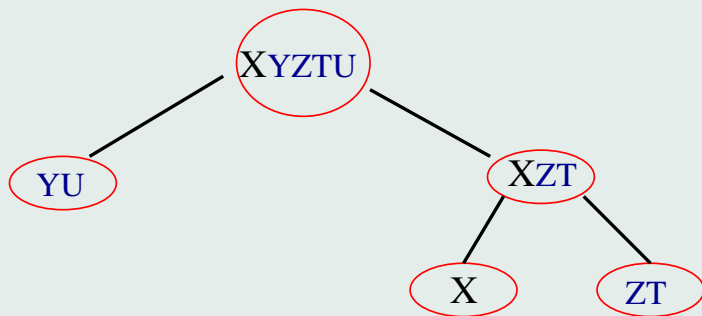
## Blood testing

- Very reliable but expensive test.
- **Problem:**  $S$ : set of individuals  
how to detect quickly infected ind. in  $S$  ?

**Algorithm**  $\mathcal{T}(S)$ :

Mix the blood of the elts of  $S$  and test.

- If negative: **Stop**.
- If positive: **Split**  $S = S_1 \cup S_2$   
**Apply**  $\mathcal{T}(S_1)$  and  $\mathcal{T}(S_2)$ .





# **Divide and Conquer Algorithms**

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Algorithm  $\mathcal{A}(n)$ :

— **Termination Condition.**

If  $n < D \longrightarrow$  Stop.

— **Tree Structure.**

If  $n \geq D$ , split at random into  $d$  groups  
of size  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_d$ ,

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_d = n$$

$\Rightarrow$  Apply  $\mathcal{A}(n_1), \mathcal{A}(n_2), \dots, \mathcal{A}(n_d)$ .

## 2. Asymptotic Behavior

## Asymptotic behavior

How efficient is a tree algorithm ?

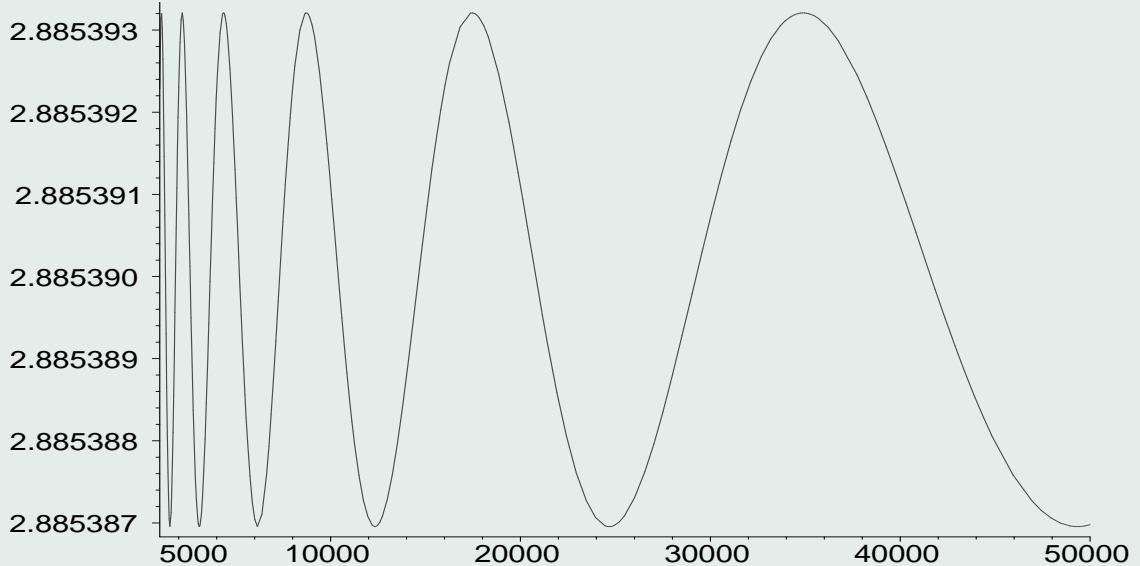
**Definition:**  $R_n$  nb of nodes with  $n$  at root.

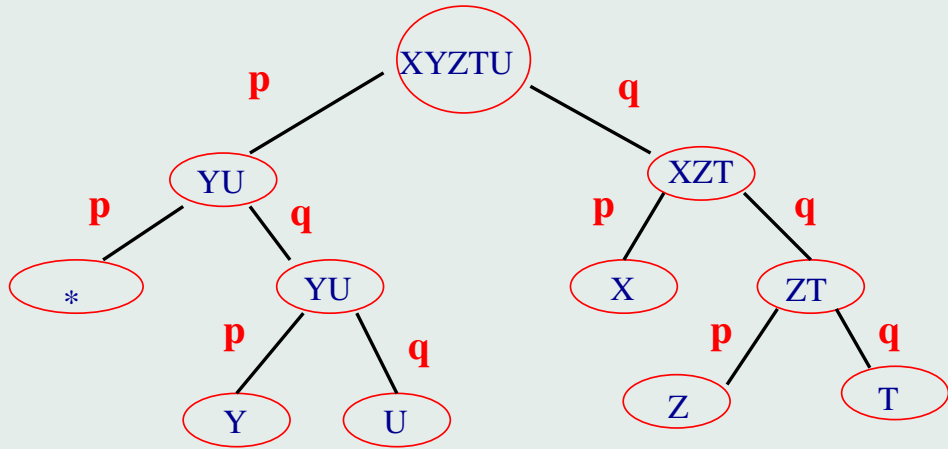
$\frac{\mathbb{E}(R_n)}{n}$ : Average cost to process **1** item.

**Law of Large Numbers:**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_n)}{n}$  : **NO**

**Pb:** the limit does not always exist !

The sequence  $n \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(R_n)/n$  for binary splitting  
Knuth (1973).





## Non-Symmetrical Algorithm

$$p + q = 1$$

## Asymptotic behavior

$$\left(\frac{\mathbb{E}(R_n)}{n}\right) : \begin{cases} \text{converges} & \text{if } \frac{\log p}{\log q} \notin \mathbb{Q} \\ \text{oscillates} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Literature:** Complex analysis methods  
Knuth, Flajolet and co-authors.

# Analytical Approach



## Recurrence Relation

$R_0 = R_1 = 1$ . For  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$R_n \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} 1 + R_{X_n} + \bar{R}_{n-X_n}$$

with

$$X_n = B_1 + B_2 + \cdots + B_n.$$

$(B_i)$  i.i.d. Bernoulli parameter  $1/2$ .

$(\bar{R}_n)$  same dist. as  $(R_n)$  independent of  $(R_n)$

## Poisson Transform

If  $r_n = \mathbb{E}(R_n)$

$$r(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} r_n \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-x} = \mathbb{E}(r_{N_x}) = \mathbb{E}(R_{N_x})$$

$N_x$  random variable with Poisson dist. with parameter  $x$

$$\mathbb{P}(N_x = n) = \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-x}$$

## Poisson Transform of $(\mathbb{E}(R_n))$

$$r(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{E}(R_n) \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-x} = \mathbb{E}(R_{N_x})$$

Since  $N_x \sim x$ ,

$x \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(R_{N_x})$  and  $n \rightarrow (\mathbb{E}(R_n))$   
should have the same behavior at infinity.

But remember that  $N_x \sim x + \sqrt{x} \mathcal{N}$   
 $\mathcal{N}$  Gaussian random variable.

## A Reminder on Poisson Variables

Thinning of Poisson r.v.:

$(B_i)$  i.i.d. Bernoulli with parameter  $p$

$\mathbb{P}(B_0 = 1) = p$  and  $\mathbb{P}(B_0 = 0) = q = 1 - p$

$\sum_1^{N_x} B_i$  Poisson with parameter  $px$ .

$N_x - \sum_1^{N_x} B_i$  Poisson with parameter  $qx$ .

## Recurrence Relation (II)

$$R_0 = R_1 = 1$$

If  $n \geq 0$  and  $Y_n = n - X_n$ ,

$$R_n \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} 1 + R_{X_n} + \overline{R}_{Y_n} - 2_{\{n \leq 1\}}$$

$$R_{N_x} \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} 1 + R_{X_{N_x}} + \overline{R}_{Y_{N_x}} - 2_{\{N_x \leq 1\}}$$

Thinning of Poisson r.v.: if  $r(x) = \mathbb{E}(R_{N_x})$

$$r(x) = r(px) + r(qx) + 1 - 2(1+x)e^{-x}$$

## Analytic Approach: Mellin Transform

$r$  fn on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ , Mellin Transform of  $r$ :

$$r^*(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} r(x) x^{s-1} dx$$

generally defined in a strip  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Some Properties:**

—  $g : x \rightarrow r(\mu x) \Rightarrow g^*(s) = \mu^{-s} r^*(s)$

— Asymptotic behavior of  $r$  at  $+\infty$   
determined by poles of  $r^*$  on right of  $\mathcal{S}$

**Flajolet** and co-authors.

## Analytic Approach: A Summary

1. Poisson Transform:  $(r_n) \rightarrow r(x)$

$$r(x) = r(px) + r(qx) + 1 - 2(1+x)e^{-x}$$

2. Mellin:

$$r^*(s) = (p^{-s} + q^{-s})r^*(s) + h^*(s)$$

3. Inversion of Mellin:  $r(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ .

4. Inversion of Poisson:  $r_n$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .

### **3. A Probabilistic approach**

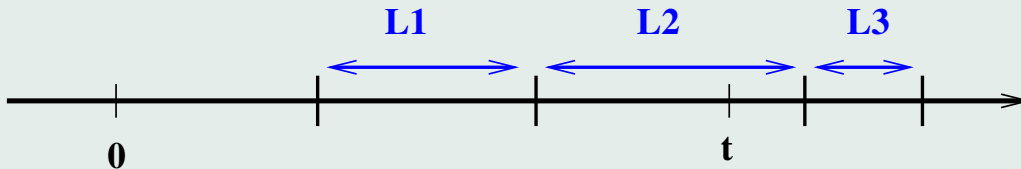


# Renewal theorems

## Some History

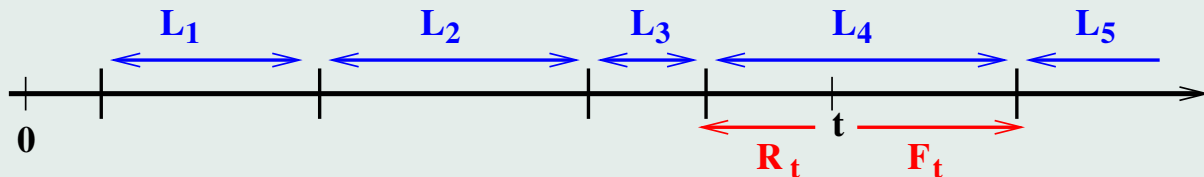
**Blackwell (1948):**

- A light bulb last two years in average.
- How many are necessary for ten years ?



**Breiman, Feller, Lindvall, . . .**

## General Framework



$(L_i)$  i.i.d. non-negative random variables.

—  $U(a, b)$ : average number of points in  $[a, b]$ ,  
 $U$ : Renewal measure,

for  $h > 0$   $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} U(t, t + h)$ ?

— Behavior of  $(R_t, F_t)$  as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$  ?

## Renewal Theorem

Non-Lattice Case:  $\forall \delta > 0, \mathbb{P}(L \in \delta\mathbb{N}) < 1$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} U(t, t+h) = \frac{h}{\mathbb{E}(L_1)}$$

$(R_t, F_t) \xrightarrow{\text{dist.}} (R_\infty, F_\infty) :$

$$\mathbb{E}(f(R_\infty, F_\infty)) = \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}(L_1)} \mathbb{E} \left( \int_0^{L_1} f(u, L_1 - u) du \right)$$

$F_t$  has density  $x \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(L_1 \geq x) / \mathbb{E}(L_1)$

# Proofs

— **Renewal Equation:**

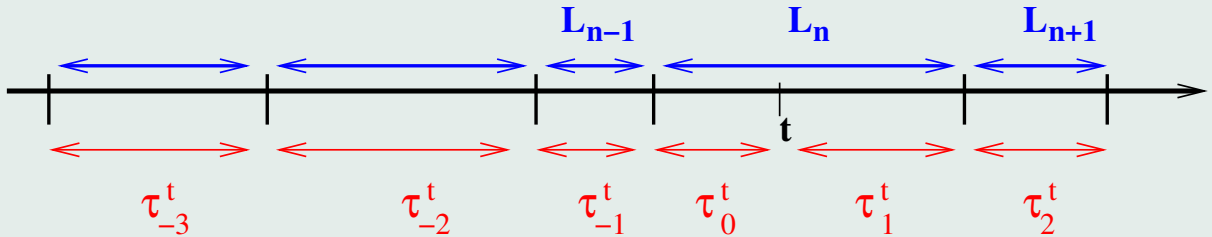
$$U(0, t) = 1 + \int_0^t U(0, t - u) L(du)$$

⇒ **Fourier Analysis (Feller).**

— **Coupling:**

**Lindvall, Athreya and Ney, ...**

# A Point Process Point of View



## Renewal Theorem:

$$(\tau_i^t, i \in \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{dist.}} (L_i^*, i \in \mathbb{Z})$$

Stationary renewal process.

1.  $(L_i^*, i \leq -1), (L_i^*, i > 1)$ , i.i.d. dist. as  $L_1$ ;
2.  $(L_0^*, L_1^*) \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} (R_\infty, F_\infty)$ .

## Lattice Case

If  $\mathbb{P}(L_1 \in \delta\mathbb{N}) = 1$  and  $\mathbb{P}(L_1 = \delta) > 0$ :

—  $(\tau_i^t, i \in \mathbb{Z})$  does not converge as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$

— for  $h > 0$ ,

$$(\tau_i^{h+n\delta}, i \in \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow +\infty} (L_i^{*h}, i \in \mathbb{Z})$$

— Periodic Behavior

$$(L_i^{*h}, i \in \mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} (L_i^{*(h+\delta)}, i \in \mathbb{Z})$$

## A Reminder on Poisson Process

If  $0 \leq t_1 \leq \dots \leq t_n \leq \dots$  with  $(t_{n+1} - t_n)$  i.i.d.

$$\mathbb{P}(t_{n+1} - t_n \geq x) = \exp(-x),$$

If  $N_x = \text{card}\{k : t_k \leq x\}$ ,

$N_x$  Poisson r.v. with parameter  $x$

$$\mathbb{P}(N_x = p) = \frac{x^p}{p!} e^{-x}$$



## Back to the recurrence Relation

$$R_n \stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} 1 + R_{X_n} + \bar{R}_{n-X_n} - 2 \times 1_{\{n \leq 1\}}$$

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$$\mathbb{E}(R_{N_x}) = \mathbb{E}(R_{N_{px}}) + \mathbb{E}(R_{N_{qx}}) + 1 - 2\mathbb{P}(t_2 \geq x)$$

$t_2$  second point of Poisson process ( $N_x$ )

**If**  $r(x) = \mathbb{E}(R_{N_x}) - 1$

$$r(x) = r(px) + r(qx) + 2\mathbb{P}(t_2 < x)$$

## Poisson Transform: a probabilistic rewriting

$$r(x) = r(px) + r(qx) + 2\mathbb{P}(t_2 < x)$$

If  $A_1 \in \{p, q\}$  r.v. such that  $\mathbb{P}(A_1 = p) = p$

$$r(x) = \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{r(A_1 x)}{A_1} \right) + 2\mathbb{E} (1_{\{t_2 < x\}})$$

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## Poisson Transform

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{R}_{N_x}) &= 1 + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{1}{\prod_1^k \mathbf{A}_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{t_2 < x \prod_1^k \mathbf{A}_i\}} \right) \\ &= 1 + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{n=2}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\prod_1^k \mathbf{A}_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{t_2 < x \prod_1^k \mathbf{A}_i, N_x = n\}} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Given  $\{N_x = n\}$  the  $n$  points of Poisson proc.:  
 $n$  i.i.d. uniformly dist. r.v. on  $[0, x]$

$U_{2,n}$ : second smallest value of  $n$  i.i.d. uniform  
r.v. on  $[0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\left(t_2 \leq \frac{x}{\mathcal{A}}, N_x = n\right) \\ = \mathbb{P}(t_2 \leq x/\mathcal{A} | N_x = n) \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-x}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(t_2 \leq x/\mathcal{A} | N_x = n) = \mathbb{P}(U_{2,n} \leq 1/\mathcal{A})$$

## Probabilistic de-Poissonization

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## An Associated Random Walk

$$\mathbb{E}(R_n) = 1 + 2\mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{\prod_1^k A_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{U_{2,n} < \prod_1^k A_i\}} \right), \quad n \geq 2.$$

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(R_n) - 1}{2n} = \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_k e^{-\log n + \sum_{i=1}^k -\log(A_i)} \times \mathbf{1}_{\left\{ -\sum_1^k \log(A_i) \leq -\log U_{2,n} \right\}} \right)$$

## The Use of Renewal Theorem

$$L_i = -\log A_i \quad U_{2,n} \sim 1/n$$

$$\Delta_n = \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_k e^{-(\log n - \sum_{i=1}^k L_i)} \mathbf{1}_{\left\{ \sum_1^k L_i \leq \log n \right\}} \right)$$

$$\Delta_n \sim \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{k \leq 0} e^{-\sum_{i=k}^0 \tau_i^{\log n}} \right) \sim \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{k \leq 0} e^{-\sum_{i=k}^0 L_i^*} \right)$$

if  $L_0$  non-lattice  $\Leftrightarrow \log p / \log q \notin \mathbb{Q}$

## Renewal Theorems

- Dist. of  $-\log A$  non-lattice:  $\log p / \log q \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .  
Continuous Renewal Theorem.  
Convergence of  $\mathbb{E}(R_n) / n$ .
- Dist. of  $-\log A$  lattice:  $\log p / \log q \in \mathbb{Q}$ .  
Discrete Renewal Theorem.  
Periodic Fluctuations of  $\mathbb{E}(R_n) / n$ .

## General Case

Algorithm  $\mathcal{A}(n)$

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—  $n < D \Rightarrow$  STOP.

Otherwise:

— Take a r.v.  $G \in \mathbb{N}$ ;      **Branching variable**

— Take a random probability vector

$$\mathcal{V} = (V_1, \dots, V_G), \quad V_1 + \dots + V_G = 1;$$

**Weights on arcs**

— Split  $n$  into  $G$  subgroups  $(n_1, \dots, n_G)$   
randomly, according to vector  $\mathcal{V}$ .

— Apply  $\mathcal{A}(n_1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(n_G)$ .

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# Splitting Measure

Probability Measure on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$\int_0^1 f(x) \mathcal{W}(dx) = \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{i=1}^G V_{i,G} f(V_{i,G}) \right) .$$

**Theorem.** [Mohamed and R. (2005)] If

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|\log(y)|}{y} \mathcal{W}(dy) < +\infty,$$

— if  $\log \mathcal{W}$  non-lattice,

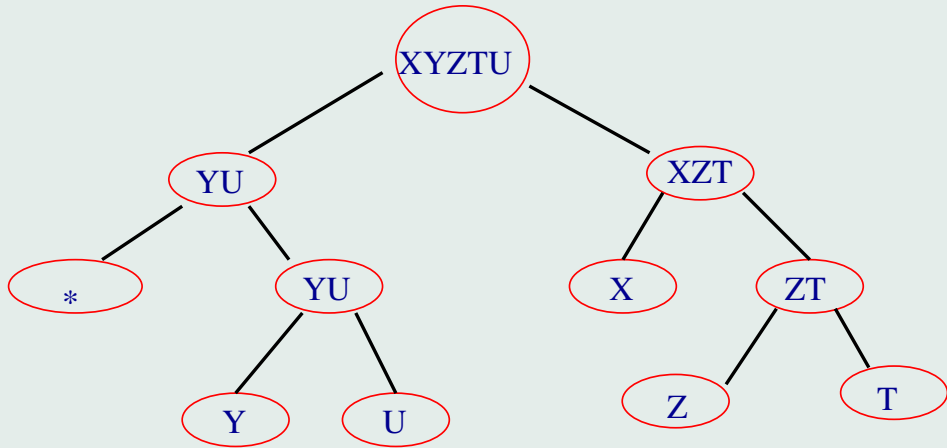
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbb{E}(R_n)/n = \frac{\mathbb{E}(G)}{(D-1) \int_0^1 |\log(y)| \mathcal{W}(dy)}.$$

—  $\log \mathcal{W}$  lattice:  $\mathbb{E}(R_n)/n \sim F(\log n/\lambda)$

$$F(x) = C \int_0^{+\infty} \exp\left(-\lambda \left\{x - \frac{\log y}{\lambda}\right\}\right) \frac{y^{D-2}}{(D-1)!} e^{-y} dy$$

## 4. Stationary Digital Trees

# Tree Structure



$X = 0.10\dots$ ,  $Y = 0.010\dots$ ,  $Z = 0.1110\dots$ ,

$T = 0.1111$ ,  $U = 0.011\dots$



# Sequences

- Words of a dictionary, book;
- DNA sequences;

An element:  $X = (X_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$   
 $X_k$ : stationary random variables;

Stationarity:

$$(X_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{\text{Dist.}}{=} (X_{k+p}, k \in \mathbb{Z})$$

## Stationary sequences

- $X = (X_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$   
a stationary sequence;
- Each item  $x$  has a sequence  $(X_k^x)$   
with same distribution as  $X$ ;
- $(X_k^x), x \in S$  are independent;  
 $X_i^x$  “coin” (possibly) used by  $x$  at level  $i$ ;
- $R_n$  size of the tree with  $n$  items.

Asymptotic behavior of  $\mathbb{E}(R_n)/n$  ?

# Functional Analysis Approach

## Context

- A function  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ;
- A Partition  $[0, 1] = \cup_i I_i$ ;
- $X_n = p$  if  $\phi^{(n)}(X_0) \in I_p$ .

Sequence  $(X_n)$  generated by iteration of a function.

Baladi, Bourdon, Clément, Flajolet, Vallée, ...

# Functional Analysis Approach

## Methods

— Ruelle's Transfer Operator:

$$\mathcal{G}_s(f)(z) = \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(z)^s f \circ \phi_i(z)$$

— Spectral analysis:

Study the dominant eigenvalue  $\lambda(s)$  of the operator  $\mathcal{G}_s$  for  $s \sim 1$ .

## Back to General case: Cost Function

$$C_n(f) = \sum_{\alpha \in \Sigma^*} f(np_\alpha)$$

$\Sigma^*$  finite vectors:  $\bigcup_{n=0}^{+\infty} \{0, 1\}^n$

$p_\alpha$  proba. of vector  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \Sigma^*$

$$p_\alpha = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = \alpha_1, \dots, X_n = \alpha_n \mid X_k, k < 0),$$

Example:

$$R_n = \sum_{\alpha \in \Sigma^*} (1 - (1 + np_\alpha)(1 - p_\alpha)^n) \sim \sum_{\alpha \in \Sigma^*} \int_0^{np_\alpha} u e^{-u} du$$

## Probabilistic rewriting of cost function

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(f) &= \sum_{\alpha \in \Sigma^*} f(np_\alpha) \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in \Sigma^* \\ |\alpha|=k}} \frac{f(np_\alpha)}{p_\alpha} p_\alpha \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{f(np_{\kappa_k})}{p_{\kappa_k}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\kappa_k$  projection on  $k$  first coord.

## Rewriting of cost function: Fubini's Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(f) &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{f(np_{\kappa_k})}{p_{\kappa_k}} \right) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_{\kappa_k}} \int_0^{+\infty} \mathbf{1}_{\{u \leq np_{\kappa_k}\}} f'(u) du \right) \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} \mathbb{E} (G_n(u)) f'(u) du, \end{aligned}$$

with

$$G_n(u) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_{\kappa_k}} \mathbf{1}_{\{u \leq np_{\kappa_k}\}}.$$

## A rough estimation

Shannon's Theorem:  $-\log p_{\kappa_k} \sim kH$ , a.s.  
 $H$  entropy.

$$\begin{aligned} G_n(u) &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_{\kappa_k}} \mathbf{1}_{\{u \leq n p_{\kappa_k}\}} \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 1} e^{-\log p_{\kappa_k}} \mathbf{1}_{\{-\log p_{\kappa_k} \leq \log(n/u)\}} \\ &\stackrel{\text{"}\sim\text{"}}{\sim} \sum_{k \geq 1} e^{kH} \mathbf{1}_{\{k \leq \log(n/u)/H\}} \\ &= \frac{e^{\lceil \log(n/u)/H \rceil H} - 1}{e^H - 1} \sim \frac{n}{u(e^H - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

$G_n$  of order  $n$ .



## More Rigor

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\kappa_n(\omega)} &= \mathbb{P}(X_n = \omega_n, \dots, X_0 = \omega_0 \mid X_k = \omega_k, k < 0) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(X_i = \omega_i \mid X_i = \omega_i, \dots, X_0 = \omega_0, X_k = \omega_k, k < 0) \\ -\log p_{\kappa_n} &= \sum_{i=1}^n h \circ \theta^i(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

$\theta$ : shift on sequences;

$$h(\omega) = -\log \mathbb{P}(X_0 = \omega_0 \mid X_k = \omega_k, k < 0).$$

$h$  entropy function,  $H = \mathbb{E}(h)$

## More Rigor (II)

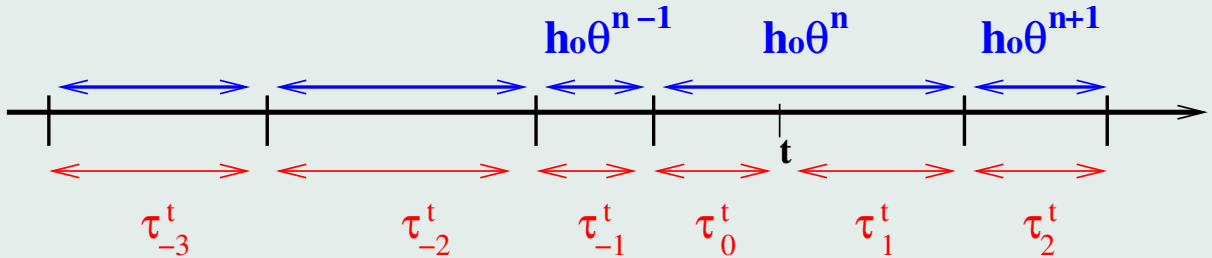
$$-\log p_{\kappa_n} = \sum_{i=1}^n h \circ \theta^i(\omega)$$

$$G_n(u) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_{\kappa_k}} \mathbf{1}_{\{u \leq n p_{\kappa_k}\}}$$

$$\frac{G_n(u)}{n} = \frac{1}{u} \sum_{k \geq 1} \exp \left[ - \left( \log(n/u) - \sum_1^k h \circ \theta^i \right) \right]$$
$$\mathbf{1}_{\left\{ \sum_1^k h \circ \theta^i \leq \log(n/u) \right\}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Renewal Theorem Context.

# Renewal Theory for Stationary Sequences



**Renewal Theorem:**  $(h \circ \theta^n)$  stationary ergodic,

$$(\tau_i^t, i \in \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{dist.}} ?$$

## Renewal Theory for Stationary Sequences (II)

Guivarc'h and Hardy (1988), Lalley (1989)

- **Application:** Limit theorems for counting measures of periodic orbits of flows.

Blanchard (1976) Delasnerie and Neveu (1977)  
Equivalence between

- Renewal thm. for sequence  $(h \circ \theta^n)$ ;
- Mixing property of special flow under  $h$ .
- The variable  $h$  is non lattice.

## A convergence result

### Entropy function

$$h(x) = -\log(P(X_0 = x \mid X_{-1}, X_{-2}, \dots)).$$

**Theorem** [R. (2005)] If  $H = \mathbb{E}(h(X_0))$ , and the distribution of  $h(X_0)$  is not lattice,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{C_n(f)}{n} = \frac{1}{H} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{f'(u)}{u} du.$$

### Application

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_n)}{n} = \frac{1}{H}.$$

**The end**